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STR:

Applicants hereby request a suspension of action for a time period of six months. The suspension of action is necessary because Applicants are in the process of preparing additional data as discussed with Examiner Medley on March 18, 2003, to provide evidence of superior properties for fuels comprising a propoxylate additive according to the claimed invention in which the number of repeat units n and R¹ are varied within the claimed ranges compared to fuels having the same amount of propoxylate additive but in which the propoxylates have a number of repeat units n and R¹ groups outside the claimed range. It may take about six month to finalize these experiments.

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Our credit card payment form in the amount of \$130.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request suspension of action for a period of six months.

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